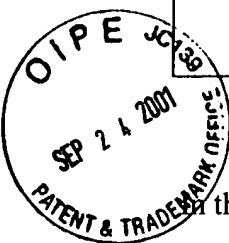


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers dated February 22, 2001. This extension will extend the time the response is due from April 22, 2001 to September 22, 2001.

- ☒ A five months extension is requested; the extension fee is \$1,890.
- ☒ Charge \$1,890 to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 371922004400.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 371922004400. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed for that purpose.

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